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SUBJECT: DEA ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL DRUG ENFORCEMENT
SCHOOL NO. 27

REF: SAN SALVADOR 1522 AND PREVIOUS

1. PRIOR TO MAKING DETERMINATION ON NOMINATION OF
LORENZANA, DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION
IN REGARD TO HIS BACKGROUND: A) HIS COMPLETE MILITARY
RECORD (E.G., POSITIONS HELD AND DATES.); B) SIMILAR
INFORMATION ON HIS LAW ENFORCEMENT CAREER; C) REPORT
ANYTHING IN MISSION RECORDS INDICATING WHETHER LORENZANA'S
ACTIVITIES OR ATTITUDES HAVE POSITIVELY OR NEGATIVELY
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AFFECTED HUMAN RIGHTS. PLEASE MAKE A FULL REPORT ON HIS
TENURE AS CHIEF OF ARMY INTELLIGENCE AND ANY OTHER HUMAN
RIGHTS SENSITIVE POSITION HE HAS HELD, IF ANY; (FOR
INSTANCE, THE ROLE HE PLAYED IN RELATION TO PAST IN-
FRINGEMENTS ON ELECTORAL PROCESSES); D) SINCE THE CRIMINAL
INVESTIGATIVE SECTION HAS ITS OWN DIRECTOR, AS REPORTED
IN SAN SALVADOR 1506, WHAT ARE THE SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILI-

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TIES OF MR. LORENZANA, WHOSE DUTIES INCLUDE "ADMINISTERING THE OPERATIONS" OF THE SECTION? HAS THE SECTION BEEN INVOLVED IN INVESTIGATION OR SUPPRESSION OF POLITICAL ACTIVITIES OF GOES OPPONENTS OR IN VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN

RIGHTS DURING LORENZANA'S TENURE AS CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT III? IS HE IN A POSITION TO CONTROL ITS ACTIVITIES AND ISSUE POLICY OR PROCEDURAL GUIDANCE WHICH COULD AFFECT HUMAN RIGHTS? WHAT ELSE IN LORENZANA'S BACK-GROUND PERSUADES EMBASSY TO INDICATE, AS IN REFTEL, THAT LORENZANA WOULD USE WHATEVER INFLUENCE HE HAS TO POSITIVELY AFFECT HUMAN RIGHTS OBSERVANCE, OR AT LEAST NOT NEGATIVELY AFFECT IT.

2. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP. CHRISTOPHER

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